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Rhinoncus pericarpius (Linnaeus) — at base of Rumex acetosa, C; April.

Phytobius comari (Herbst) – on leaves of Potentilla palustris, B;

April.

P. quadrituberculatus (Fabricius) — in leaf litter, C; September.

Anthonomus bituberculatus Thomson, C. G. — beaten from

Crataegus, A; August.

A. brunnipennis (Curtis) — beaten from Ulex europaeus. (This species is normally associated with Potentilla erecta), A; September.

A. pedicularius (Linnaeus) – beaten from Crataegus monogyna,

A; April.

Curculio salicivorus Paykull – beaten from Salix atrocinerea, B; June.

Gymnetron labile (Herbst) - general sweeping, A; April.

Rhynchaenus rusci (Herbst) – swept from low herbage near to Betula, C; August.

Ramphus pulicarius (Herbst) — general sweeping, A; August. The total number of phytophagous Coleoptera recorded from Dubbs Moss Nature Reserve in the present list is 74 — Chrysomelidae 21; Attelabidae 1; Apionidae 9; Curculionidae 43.

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THE MARSH PUG AND DEATH'S HEAD HAWKMOTH IN NORTH WARWICKSHIRE. — On June 4th 1983 I netted a good specimen of *Eupithecia pygmaeata* Hbn. at Kingsbury Water Park, which was satisfactorily photographed. I understand that this is a new record for Warwickshire V.C.38.

Whilst visiting the same site on a birding trip, I was shown a fine example of *Acherontia atropos* L. by Mr. Edwin Hopkins, head warden of the Water Park. This moth was reportedly found on 12th October 1983, in a grass field near the River Tame (SP 213963) about a mile from the nearest potato field. — R. J. THOMAS, 23 Trentham Road, Harts Hill, Nuneaton, Warwickshire CV10 OSN.